

S. 2006. A bill to extend and expand the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5353. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-100, 200, and 200C Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-150" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5354. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Aerospace Technologies of Australia Pty Ltd. Models N22B and N24A Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-CE-21" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5355. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd & Co KG Models Tay 650-15 and Tay 651-54 Turbofan Engines Doc. No. 98-ANE-68" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5356. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Cessna Model 560 Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-NM-225" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5357. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Restricted Area R231E Ajo East, AZ; and R-2304, and 2305 Gila Bend, AZ Doc. No. 03-AWP-4" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5358. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Various Boeing and McDonnell Transport Category Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-NM-91" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5359. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Rocky Mount, NC Doc. No. 03-ASO-15" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5360. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Smithfield, NC Doc. No. 03-ASO-14" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

(RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5361. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 757-200 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-95" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5362. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Titeflex Corporation Doc. No. 2002-NE-22" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5363. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 747-400, 400D, and 400F Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-NM-173" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5364. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class E Airspace; Kotlik, AZ Doc. No. 03-AAL-08" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5365. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class E Airspace; Akiak, AK Doc. No. 03-AAL-13" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5366. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E4 Airspace and Modification of Class E5 Airspace; Goodland, KS Doc. No. 03-ACE-71" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5367. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class E Airspace; Kivalina, AK Doc. No. 03-AAL-17" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5368. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E5 Airspace; Johnson, KS Doc. No. 03-ACE-77" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5369. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (36) Amendment No. 3082" (RIN2120-AA65) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5370. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Adminis-

tration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class E Airspace; Chevak, AK Doc. No. 03-AAL-112" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5371. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (1) Amendment No. 3083" (RIN2120-AA65) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5372. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Jacksonville, NC Doc. No. 03-ASO-12" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5373. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls-Royce plc Rb211 Series Turbofan Engines Doc. No. 2003-NE-33" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5374. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Bombardier Model C1-600-1A11 (CL-600), CL-600-2A12 (CL-601) and C1-600-2B16 (CL-601-3A, CL-6013R, and CL-604) Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-157" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5375. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Class E Airspace; Charlottesville, VA Doc. No. 03-AEA-09" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5376. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Viroqua, WI Doc. No. 03-AGL-06" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5377. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class D Airspace and Modification of Class E Airspace; St. Joseph, MO Doc. No. 03-ACE-70" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5378. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class D Airspace and Modification of Class E Airspace; Topeka, Phillip Billard Municipal Airport, KS" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5379. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Adminis-

transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Aerostar Aircraft Corporation Models PA-60-600, PA-60-601P, PA-60-602P, and PA-60-700P Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-CE-44" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5380. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Correction McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10-10F, 15, 30, 30F (KC-10A and KDC-10), 40, and 40F Airplanes and Model MD 10-10F, and 30F Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-164" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5381. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Recission Cessna Model 750 Citation X Series Airplanes Doc. No. 99-NM-229" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5382. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model MD-11, and 11F Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-52" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5383. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Maxton, NC Doc. No. 03-ASO-13" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5384. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Model EMB-135, and -145 Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-88" (RIN2120-64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5385. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model MD-11 and 11F Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-52" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5386. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model AS335E, F, F1, F2, and N Helicopters Doc. No. 2003-SW-10" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5387. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model AS332C, AS332L, AS332L1, and AS332L2 Helicopters Doc. No. 2002-SW-58" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5388. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: The Cessna Aircraft Company Model 525 Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-CE-46" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5389. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls-Royce plc RB211-524 Series Turbofan Engines Doc. No. 2003-NE-36" (RIN2120-AA64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5390. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (4) Amendment No. 3080" (RIN2120-AA65) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5391. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Chariton, IA Doc. No. 03-ACE-67" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5392. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D Airspace; Ramona, CA Doc. No. 03-AWP-11" (RIN2120-A66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5393. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Corning, IA Doc. No. 03-AC-69" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5394. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Raleigh, NC Doc. No. 03-ASO-11" (RIN2120-AA66) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5395. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Digital Flight Data Recorder Requirements Changes to Recording Specifications and Additional Exceptions; CORRECTION; Doc. No. FAA-2003-15682" (RIN2120-AH89) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5396. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flightdeck Security on Large Cargo Airplanes; Request for Comments; CORRECTION Doc. No. FAA-2003-15653" (RIN2120-AH96) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5397. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration,

Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lower Deck Service Compartments on Transport Category Airplanes; CORRECTION Doc. No. FAA-2002-11346" (RIN2120-AH38) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5398. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 145 Review: Repair Stations; Final Rule; Delay of Effective Date; Doc. No. FAA-1999-5836" (RIN2120-AC38) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5399. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "DOD Commercial Air Carrier Evaluators; Request for Comments; Correction Doc. No. FAA-2003-15571" (RIN2120-AI00) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5400. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Digital Flight Data Recorder Requirements Changes to Recording Specifications and Additional Exceptions; Correction; CORRECTION TO CORRECTION Doc. No. FAA-2003-15682" (RIN2120-AH89) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5401. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Tour Operators in the State of Hawaii; Doc. No. FAA-2003-14830" (RIN2120-AH02) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5402. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum in Domestic United States Airspace; Doc. No. FAA-2002-12261" (RIN2120-AH68) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5403. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation of Fractional Aircraft Ownership Programs and On Demand Operations; Doc. No. FAA-2001-10047" (RIN2120-AH06) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5404. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Digital Broadcast Content Protection" (MB Doc. No. 02-230) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5405. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b) Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Wickenburg, Bagdad, and Aguila, AZ)" (MM Doc. No. 00-166) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5406. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.2-2(b), Table of Allotments, FM

Broadcast Stations (Alamo Community, New Mexico)" (MM Doc. No. 01-158) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5407. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.622(b), Table of Allotments, DTV Broadcast Stations, Fort Walton Beach, FL" (MM Doc. No. 00-233) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5408. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Apopka, Maitland, and Homosassa Springs, FL)" (MB Doc. No. 03-24) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5409. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Encino, TX)" (MB Doc. No. 02-341) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5410. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Marathon and Mertzon, TX)" (MB Doc. No. 02-243) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5411. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Tallahassee, GA)" (MB Doc. No. 03-161) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5412. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Mount Pleasant and Bogata, TX)" (MM Doc. No. 00-54) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5413. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor to the Bureau Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, DTV Broadcast Stations (Corpus Christi, TX)" (MM Doc. No. 99-277) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5414. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Conformance with Federal Acquisition Circulars 2001-15 and 2001-14" (RIN2700-AC92) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5415. A communication from the Director for Acquisition Management, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Govern-

mentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (grants)" (RIN0605-AA16) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5416. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations: (Including 3 Regulations); [CGD08-03-180], [CGD08-03-046]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5417. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allowing Alternatives to Incandescent Lights, and Establishing Standards for New Lights, in Private Aids to Navigation" (RIN1625-AA55) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5418. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and designation of acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs/CFO, Department of Transportation, received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5419. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems" (RIN2127-AJ22) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5420. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NOAA Office of Ocean Exploration Announcement of Funding Opportunity, Fiscal Year 2004" received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5421. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Annual Specifications and Management Measures; Trip Limit Adjustments" (ID100303B) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5422. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Coastal Pelagic Species Fisheries; Closure of the Fishery for Pacific Sardine North of Pt. Arena, California" (ID102003A) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5423. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Fraser River Sockeye and Pink Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Orders" (ID101603B) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5424. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Child Restraint Systems; Interim Final Rule on Seat Mounted Vests" (RIN2127-A188) received on

December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5425. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Improved Flammability Standards for Thermal/Acoustic Insulation Materials Used in Transport Category Airplanes; CORRECTION Doc. No. FAA-200-7909" (RIN2120-AG91) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5426. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocations and Service Rules for the 71-76 GHz, 81-86 GHz, and 92-95 GHz Bands; Loea Communications Corporation Petition for Rule Making" (FCC03-248) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5427. A communication from the Legal Advisor and Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Promoting Efficient Use of Spectrum Through Elimination of Barriers to the Development of Secondary Markets" (FCC03-113) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5428. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 2.106 of the Commission's Rules to Allocate Spectrum at 2 GHz for Use by the Mobile Satellite Service" (FCC03-280) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5429. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 5 of the Commission's Rules to Require Electronic Filing Applications for Experimental Radio Licenses and Authorizations" (FCC03-207) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5430. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Broadcast Auxiliary Service Rules in Part 74 and Conforming Technical Rules for Broadcast Auxiliary Service, Cable Television Relay Service and Fixed Services in Parts 74, 78, and 101 of the Commission's Rules" (FCC03-246) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5431. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Parts 2, 25, and 87 of the Commission's Rules to Implement Decisions from World Radiocommunication Conferences Concerning Frequency Bands Between 28 MHz and 36 GHz and to Otherwise Update the Rules in this Frequency Range" (FCC03-269) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5432. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Rural Health Care

Support Mechanism in WC Docket No. 02-60" (FCC03-288) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5433. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants); Department of Transportation Implementation" (RIN2105-AD07) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5434. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State Designations; California" (Doc. No. 03-005-2) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5435. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State Designations; New Mexico" (Doc. 03-044-2) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5436. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5437. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Armed Forces Retirement Home for Fiscal Year 2002; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5438. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Semiannual Report to Congress for the six-month period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5439. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to plutonium storage at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5440. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a change in previously submitted reported information for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, Department of the Army, received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5441. A communication from the Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes Included in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003" (RIN0720-AA85) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5442. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Secretary of the Navy, received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5443. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5444. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Azerbaijan, Georgia, and Turkey; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5445. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Algeria; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5446. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Divisions of Corporate Finance and Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure Regarding Nominating Committee Functions and Communications Between Security Holders and Boards of Directors" (RIN3235-A190) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5447. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi annual report of the Board for the period from April 1, 2003 to September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5448. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to the National Emergencies Act, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Development Fund for Iraq; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5449. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Communities Eligible for the Sale of Flood Insurance" (48 CFR 64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5450. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" (44 CFR 67) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5451. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" (44 CFR 67) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5452. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" (44 CFR 65) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5453. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" (44 CFR 65) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5454. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (44 CFR 64) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5455. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Man-

agement Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rescission of Final Flood Elevation Determination" (Doc. No. FEMA-7772) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5456. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" (44 CFR Part 67) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5457. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to the National Emergencies Act, a report relative to the national emergency declared with respect to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5458. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "West Virginia Regulatory Program" (WV-091-FOR) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5459. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "North Dakota Regulatory Program" (ND-044-FOR) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5460. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "West Virginia Regulatory Program" (WV-095-FOR) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5461. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Fee Schedule for Annual Charges for the Use of Government Lands" received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5462. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's annual report to Congress on streamlining and standardization; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5463. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Minerals Management Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil and Gas and Sulphur Operations in the Outer Continental Shelf—Civil Penalties" (RIN1010-AD07) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5464. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Revisions to Delaware's Motor Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program and Low Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Program" (FRL#7590-9) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5465. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Nebraska Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL#7592-1) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5466. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; State of Missouri" (FRL#7591-4) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5467. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clean Air Act Approval of Revision to Operating Permits Program in Ohio" (FRL#7588-9) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5468. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, the Commission's latest monthly report on the status of its licensing and regulatory duties; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5469. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marine Mammals; Incidental Take During Specific Activities" (RIN1018-AH92) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5470. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Joint Counterpart Endangered Species Act Section 7 Consultation Regulations" (RIN1018-AJ02) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5471. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Coverage and Payment of Ambulance Services; Inflation Update for CY 2004" (RIN0938-AM44) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5472. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Religious Non-medical Health Care Institutions and Advance Directives" (RIN0938-AI93) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5473. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weighted Average Interest Rate Update Notice" (Notice 2003-80) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5474. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Information Reporting for Distributions with Respect to Securities Issued by Foreign Corporations" (Notice 2003-79) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5475. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Medicare payment policies for medical education; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5476. A communication from the Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Agency's compliance with the Inspector General Act of 1978; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5477. A communication from the Deputy Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule

entitled "Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" (RIN3095-AB04) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5478. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors, United States Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5479. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5480. A communication from the Chairman, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5481. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, a report entitled "Fiscal Year Annual Report On Advisory Neighborhood Commissions"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5482. A communication from the Director, Management and Chief Financial Officer, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Reflect Change of Address of the Interior Board of Contract Appeals" (RIN3206-AK07) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5483. A communication from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5484. A communication from the Special Assistant to the President and Director, Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to personnel employed in the White House, the Executive Residence at the White House, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Policy Development, and the Office of Administration; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5485. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5486. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5487. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of the inventories of commercial and inherently governmental positions in the Department of Transportation; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5488. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Part A Premium for 2004 for the Uninsured, Aged, and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement" (RIN0938-AM33) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5489. A communication from the Director, Regulations and Forms Services, Immi-

gration and Customs Enforcement, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspending the 30-Day and Annual Interview Requirements From the Special Registration Process for Certain Non-immigrants" (RIN1653-AA29) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5490. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts for 2004" (RIN0938-AM31) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5491. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" (RIN0991-AB12) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5492. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Reduction in Medicare Part B Premiums As Additional Benefits Under Medicare Plus Choice Plans" (RIN0938-AL49) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5493. A communication from the Division of Acquisition Management Services, Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace" (RIN1291-AA33) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5494. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance); Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement); Student Assistance General Provisions; and Federal Family Education Loan Program" (RIN1890-AA07) received on December 4, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5495. A communication from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5496. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, Division of Transportation, Bureau of Indian Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Distribution of Fiscal Year 2004 Indian Reservation Roads Funds" (RIN1076-AE50) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5497. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a proposed plan for the use and distribution of the Pueblo of Isleta judgment funds; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5498. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Monthly Actuarial Rates and Monthly Supplementary Medical Insurance Premium Beginning January 1, 2004" (RIN0938-AM91) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5499. A communication from the Vice Chairman, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Leadership PACs" (Notice 2003-22) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-5500. A communication from the Vice Chairman, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Leadership PACs" (Notice 2003-22) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-5501. A communication from the Director, Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Veterans Education: Increased Allowances for the Educational Assistance Test Program" (RIN2900-AL52) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5502. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inflation-Adjusted Items for 2004" (Rev. Proc. 2003-85) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5503. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Electric Co. and Subs. V. Commissioner, T.C. Memo. 1995-306 Rev'd in Part Vacated in Part and Remanded 245 f.3. 149 (2d Cir.200100)" received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5504. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2004 Annual Covered Compensation Tables" (Rev. Rule 2003-124) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5505. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tenant Income Certifications for Acquisition/Rehabilitation" (Rev. Proc. 2003-82) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5506. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Professional Employer Organizations" (Rev. Proc. 2003-86) received on December 1, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5507. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Management, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Photocopying Reimbursement Methodology" (RIN0938-AK68) received on December 3, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5508. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A330, 301, 321, 322, 341, and 342 Airplanes; Doc. No. 2001-NM-353" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5509. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration,

Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Mitsubishi Heady Industries, Ltd MU-2B Series Airplanes; Doc. No. 2003-CE-22" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5510. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Hartzell Propeller Inc. Model HC A6A 3 Series Propellers; Doc. No. 2003-NE-47" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5511. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model AS350B, B1, B2, BA, C, D, D1, and AS355E, F, F1, F2 and N Helicopters; Doc. No. 2000-SW-12" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5512. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls Royce plc Trent 768-60 Turbofan Engines; Doc. No. 2003-NE-37" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5513. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls Royce plc Trent 556-61 Turbofan Engines; Doc. No. 2003-NE-42" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5514. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model AS350B, B1, B2, B3, BA, C, D, D1, and F1, F2, and N Helicopters; Doc. No. 2003-SW-18" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5515. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Pratt and Whitney PW4074, 4074D, 4077, 4077D, 4084, 4084D, 4090, 4090D, 4090-3, and PW 4098 Turbofan Engines; Doc. No. 2003-NE-40" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5516. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: MD Helicopters Inc. Model 369A, H, HE, HS, D, and E Helicopters; Doc. No. 2003-SW-16" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5517. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model EC120B Helicopters; Doc. No. 2003-SW-07" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5518. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration,

Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: The New Poper Aircraft Models PA 31, 31-300, 31-325, 31-350, 31P, 31T, 31T1, 31T2, 31T3, and 31P-350 Airplanes; Doc. No. 2003-CE-03" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5519. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Pratt and Whitney JT9D-3A, 7, 7A, 7F, 7H, and 7J Turbofan Engines; Doc. No. 2003-NE-52" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5520. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (83); Amdt. No. 3079" (RIN2120-AA65) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5521. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (83); Amdt. No. 3079" (RIN2120-AA65) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5522. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (50); Amdt. No. 3081" (RIN2120-AA65) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5523. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Clarion, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-68" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5524. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; New Richmond, WI; Doc. No. 03-AGL-08" (RIN2120-AA608) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5525. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D Airspace; Minot, ND; Doc. No. 03-AGL-07" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5526. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Kingman, KS; Doc. No. 03-ACE-73" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5527. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Winterset, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-87" (RIN2120-

AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5528. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model MD-11 Airplanes; Doc. No. 2003-NM-68" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5529. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model MD-11 and 11F Airplanes; Doc. No. 2003-NM-70" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5530. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-81 (MD-81), DC-9-87 (MD-87), and MD-88 Airplanes; Doc. No. 2000-NM-150" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5531. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Cessna Aircraft Company Models 172R, 172S, 182S, 182T, T182T, 206H, and T206H Airplanes; Doc. No. 2003-CE-28" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5532. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10-10, -10F, -15, -30, -30F, -40, -40F, MD-10-40F, -10F, -30F, MD-11, and MD-11F Airplanes; Doc. No. 2001-NM0297" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5533. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model AS332C, Ci, L, L1, AS350B, BA, B1, B3, and D, and AS355E, F, F1, F2, and N Helicopters; Doc. No. 2003-SW-15" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5534. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls-Royce Corporation (Formerly Allison Engine Company) AE3007A1/1, -A1/3, -A3, -A1E, and -A1P Turbofan Engines; Doc. No. 2003-NE-19" (RIN2120-AA64) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5535. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Great Bend, KS; Doc. No. 03-ACE-72" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5536. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule

entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Gettysburg, PA; Doc. No. 03-AEA-04" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5537. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Oskaloos, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-84" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5538. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Osceola, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-83" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5539. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Waverly, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-86" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5540. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Mount Pleasant, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-82" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5541. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Tipton, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-85" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5542. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Mentasta Lake Mountains Area, AK; AK Doc. No. 03-AAL-18" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5543. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; York, PA; Doc. No. 03-AEA-08" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5544. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Gettysburg, PA; Correction Doc. No. 03-AEA-04" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5545. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Manokotak, AK; Doc. No. 03-AAL-19" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5546. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Adminis-

tration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Ormond Beach, FL; Doc. No. 03-ASO-9" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5547. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E4 Airspace; and Modification of Class E5 Airspace; Goodland, KS; Doc. No. 03-ACE-71" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5548. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Buckhannon, WV; Doc. No. 03-AEA-05" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5549. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Cherokee, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-89" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5550. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Greenfield, IA; Doc. No. 03-ACE-88" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5551. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments 3085 Doc. No. 30399" (RIN2120-AA65) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5552. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Charlottesville, VA; Correction Doc. No. 03-AEA-09" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5553. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; New York, NY; Doc. No. 03-AEA-14" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5554. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; New York and New Jersey; Doc. No. 03-AEA-17" (RIN2120-AA66) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5555. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments 3084 Doc. No. 30398" (RIN2120-AA65)

received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5556. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aging Aircraft Safety Doc. No. 1999-5401" (RIN2120-AA6) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5557. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regatta and Marine Parade Regulation; Special Local Reg." (RIN1625-AA08) received on December 8, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5558. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations" (RIN1625-AA00) received on December 8, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5559. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area" (RIN1625-AA11) received on December 8, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5560. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Ravenswood and Racine, Ohio)" (MB Doc. No. 03-22) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5561. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Conway and Vilonia, AK)" (MB Doc. No. 03-23) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5562. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Worcester and Westborough, Massachusetts)" (MB Doc. No. 02-49) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5563. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Marble Falls and Dripping Springs, TX)" (MB Doc. No. 03-195) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5564. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Ash Fork, Chino Valley, Dolan Springs, Fredonia, Gilbert, Peach Springs, Seligman, and Tusayan, AZ; Moapa Valley, NV; Beaver and Cedar City, UT)" (MM Doc. No. 02-12) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5565. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

"Amendment of Section 73.622(b), Table of Allotments, DTV Broadcast Stations (Corpus Christi, TX)" (MM Doc. No. 00-198) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5566. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Elimination of Experimental Broadcast Ownership Restrictions" (FCC01-99) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5567. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Oak Grove and Trenton, KY; Springfield, TN)" (MB Doc. No. 03-132) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5568. A communication from the Senior Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.622(b), Table of Allotments, DTV Broadcast Stations, Juneau, Alaska" (MB Doc. No. 03-97) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5569. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Bluefin Tuna Fisheries, Quota Transfer; Fishery Closure" (ID#111303B) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5570. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Annual Specifications and Management Measures; Trip Limit Adjustments" (ID#111903C) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5571. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reallocation of Projected Unused Amounts of Bering Sea Subarea Pollock from the Incidental Catch Account to the Directed Fisheries" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5572. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trip Limit Reduction for the Commercial Fishery for Gulf Group King Mackerel in the Northern Florida West Coast Subzone" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5573. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Approved Measures Contained in the Framework Adjustment 3 to the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fishery Management Plan" (RIN0648-AR43) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5574. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law,

the report of a rule entitled "Interim 2004 Total Allowable Catch (TAC) Amounts for Each Category of Groundfish, Community Development Quota (CDQ) Reserve Amounts, American Fisheries Act (AFA) Pollock Allocations and Sideboard Amounts, and Prohibited Species Catch (PSC) Allowances and Prohibited Species Quota (PSQ) Reserves for the Groundfish Fisheries of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area (BSAI)" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5575. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, CFO, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs, CFO, received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5576. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook—Public Acknowledgments" (RIN2700-AC75) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5577. A communication from the General Counsel, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Bicycles—Tests and Test Procedures; Correction" (68 FR 52690) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5578. A communication from the Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Parts 2 and 15 of the Commission's Rules to Permit Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure Devices in the 5 GHz Band" (FCC03-287) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5579. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Locomotive Horns at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings" (RIN2130-AA71) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5580. A communication from the Office of the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act relative to the scoring analysis described in Appendix B of OMB Circular A-11; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5581. A communication from the Fishery Biologist, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and threatened Species; Final Rule Governing Take of Four Threatened Evolutionary Significant Units of West Coast Salmonids" (RIN0648-AP17) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5582. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, a report from the Federal Transit Administration relative to maximum axle weight limitations; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5583. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation, received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5584. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast

Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rates for Pilotage on the Great Lakes" (RIN1625-AA38) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5585. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalties—Adjustments for Inflation" (RIN1625-AA01) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5586. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Inner Harbor Navigation" (RIN1625-AA09) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5587. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations; Charleston Harbor, Cooper River, SC; San Francisco Bay, Morgan City" (RIN1625-AA00) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5588. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations: Los Angeles Beach" (RIN1625-AA00) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5589. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendment to Update and Correct Office of Management and Budget Control Numbers and Related Regulatory Citations for NMFS Information Collection" (RIN0648-AR71) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5590. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the National Emergency declared in Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5591. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Herring Fishery; Closure of Directed Fishery for Management Area 1A" (ID110703B) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5592. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Closure of the 2003 Fall Gulf of Mexico Commercial Red Snapper Fishery" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5593. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "December 2002 Wassenaar Arrangement Plenary Agreement Implementation: Categories 1-7 of the Commerce Control List and Reporting Requirements" (RIN0694-AC85) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5594. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Eco-

nomics, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Adjustment of Ceiling on Allowable Charge for Certain Disclosures under the Fair Credit Reporting Act Section 612(f)" received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5595. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interstate Highway System" (RIN2125-AF00) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5596. A communication from the Senior Attorney Advisor, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Revisions to Incident Reporting Requirements and the Hazardous Materials Incident Report" (RIN2137-AD21) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5597. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Upgrade Fuel Integrity Performance Requirements" (RIN2127-AF36) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5598. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations: Delaware Bay and River" (RIN1625-AA00) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5599. A communication from the Senior Attorney, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pipeline Safety: Pipeline Integrity Management in High Consequence Areas (Gas Transmission Pipeline Operations)" (RIN2137-AD54) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5600. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, the Department of Transportation's Annual Report of the Maritime Administration for Fiscal Year 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5601. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Vessel Monitoring Systems and Incidental Catch Measures" (RIN0648-AQ58) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5602. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Government Property—Instructions for Preparing NASA Form 1018" (RIN2700-AC73) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5603. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Exempted Fishing Activities" (RIN0648-AO79) received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5604. A communication from the Acting Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Closure of the Commercial Fishery for Gulf Group King Mackerel in the Northern Florida West Coast Subzone" received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5605. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Standards for Traffic Control Devices: Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways; Revision" (RIN2125-AE93) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5606. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Construction of an Office/Laboratory/Classroom Facility for the Canaan Valley Institute" (Doc.#031110276-3276-01) received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5607. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy for the position of Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Policy), Department of Defense, received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5608. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the F/A-18 E/F and EA-18G aircraft multiyear program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5609. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Defense Cooperation Account; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5610. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5611. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the removal of an item from the United States Munitions List; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5612. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the report of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5613. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to corrosion and its effects on the military infrastructure of the Department; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5614. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5615. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5616. A communication from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Central Contractor Registration" (DFARS Case 2003-D040) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5617. A communication from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "DoD Activity Address Codes in Contract Numbers" (DFARS Case 2003-D0005) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5618. A communication from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Competition Requirements for Purchases from a Required Source" (DFARS Case 202-D0003) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5619. A communication from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Provisional Award Fee Programs" (DFARS Case 2001-D013) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5620. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to research and development programs approved as spiral development programs; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5621. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Walnuts Grown in California; Deceased Assessment Rate" (Doc. No. FV04-984-1) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5623. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oranges in Grapefruit Grown in Lower Rio Grande Valley in Texas; Increased Assessment Rate" (Doc. No. FV04-906-1) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5624. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Organic Program; Amendments to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances" (Doc. No. TM-03-02) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5625. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Vinclozolin; Time-Limited Pesticide Tolerances Technical Correction" (FRL#7337-7) received on December 10, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5626. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyprodinil; Time-Limited Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL#7337-5) received on December 10, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5627. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental

Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Furoxypyr; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL#7304-5) received on December 10, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5628. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Direct Final Rule—Fire and Rescue and Other Community Facilities" (RIN0575-AC53) received on December 10, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5629. A communication from the Acting Staff Director, Office of Regulatory and Management Services, Forest Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Areas: Roadless Area Conservation; Applicability to the Tongass National Forest, Alaska" (RIN0596-AC42) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5630. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to providing financial assistance to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau under the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5631. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ports of Entry for Certain Plants and Plant Products" (Doc. No. 03-067-1) received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5632. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the national emergency with respect to Libya declared in Executive Order 12543; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5633. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on appointments during a National Emergency; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5634. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5635. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Corporate Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commission Guidance Regarding Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" (RIN3235-AH37) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5636. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Corporate Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Rule 17Ad-19, Amendments to Rules 17f-1, 17Ad-7, and 17Ad-12 under the Securities Exchange Act" (RIN3235-AH94) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5637. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations; 68 FR 64817" received

on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5638. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations; 68 FR 64819" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5639. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility; 68 FR 62748" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5640. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations; 68 FR 64809" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5641. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations; 68 FR 64812" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5642. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations; 68 FR 66023" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5643. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations; 68 FR 66020" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5644. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations; 68 FR 66024" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5645. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "FHA TOTAL Mortgage Scorecard" (RIN2502-AI00) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5646. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Housing Assistance for Native Hawaiians: Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant Program and Loan Guarantees for Native Hawaiian Housing Program; Final Rule" (RIN2577-AC27) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5647. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mixed-Finance Development for Supportive Housing for the

Elderly or Persons with Disabilities and Other Changes to 24 CFR Part 891" (RIN2502-AH83) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5648. A communication from the Assistant to the Board, Board of the Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation Y—Bank Holding Companies and Change in Bank Control; Rule Expanding the Ability of Bank Holding Companies to Engage in Nonfinancial Data Processing Activities" (Doc. No. R-1092) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5649. A communication from the Director, Benefit Design and Compliance, AgriBank Corporation, transmitting, a report relative to retirement plans for several farm credit districts; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5650. A communication from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to U.S. exports to Thailand, dated December 17, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5651. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, the Department of the Treasury's Performance and Accountability Report for FY 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5652. A communication from the Chairman, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Financial Managers' Integrity Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5653. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report with respect to the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans that was declared in Executive Order 13219; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5654. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report with respect to the national emergency with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation that was declared in Executive Order 13159; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5655. A communication from the Assistant Director, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reporting and Disclosure Requirements for National Banks with Securities Registered Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; Securities Offering Disclosure Rules" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5656. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report with respect to the national emergency with respect to Libya that was declared in Executive Order 12543; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5657. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Kentucky Regulatory Program" (KY-245-FOR) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5658. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indiana Regulatory Program" (IN-153-FOR) received on

January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5659. A communication from the Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to activities and expenditures of the Office; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5660. A communication from the Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Endangered Status for the Dugong (Dugong dugon) in the Republic of Palau" (RIN1018-A181) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5661. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Law, Office of Procurement and Assistance Management, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement), and Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants); Rules" (RIN1991-AB56) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5662. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Law, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Test Procedure for Clothes Washers" (RIN1904-AB43) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5663. A communication from the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Rules Applicable to Surface Coal Mining Hearings and Appeals" (RIN1090-AA92) received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5664. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Blanket Sales Certificates" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5665. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Order Amending Market-Based Rate Tariffs and Authorizations" received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5666. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the application of "Other Transactions Authority" within the Department of Energy; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5667. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5668. A communication from the Manager, Oak Ridge Operations Office, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Oak Ridge Reservation Annual Site Environmental Report for Calendar Year 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5669. A communication from the Office of Human Resources Management, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Chief Financial Officer, Department

of Energy, received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5670. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of an extension of Presidential Determination 2003-04 dated September 24, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5671. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Danger Pay Allowances for Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5672. A communication from the Chief of Protocol, Department of State, transmitting a report relative to listings of foreign gifts of more than minimal value reported to employing agencies in calendar year 2001; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5673. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a waiver authority with regard to the prohibition on military assistance provided for in the American Servicemembers' Act for Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Slovenia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5675. A communication from the Executive Secretary and Chief of Staff, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Deputy Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5676. A communication from the Executive Secretary and Chief of Staff, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a discontinuation of service in acting role and nomination for the position of Assistant Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5677. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to post-liberation Iraq; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5678. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5679. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of an amendment to Part 89 of Volume 22 of the Code of Federal Regulations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5680. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to The Republic of Korea, The United Kingdom, and The Netherlands; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5681. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad to Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5682. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles in the amount of

\$1,000,000 or more to United Kingdom, Germany, Spain, Turkey, and The Netherlands; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5683. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to the Republic of Korea and Germany; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5684. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5685. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the certification of two proposed licenses for the export of defense articles that are firearms sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more to the United Arab Emirates; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5686. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Pacific Ocean/International Waters; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5687. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of two proposed manufacturing license agreements for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad and the export of defense articles or defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Italy and Belgium; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5688. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two proposed licenses for the export of defense articles that are firearms sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more to Greece; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5689. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5690. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5691. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5692. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad to Canada; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5693. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting a report entitled "Integrating Natural Resource Management and Agriculture"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5694. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Benjamin A. Oilman International Scholarship Program; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5695. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of the Department's intent to obligate funds for purposes of Non-proliferation and Disarmament Fund activities; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5696. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad to the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5697. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed license for the export of defense articles and to provide defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5698. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5699. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5700. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination of Interest Rates" (Rev. Rul. 2003-126) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5701. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Examination of Returns and Claims for Refund, Credit, or Abatement; Determination of Correct Tax Liability" (Rev. Proc. 2004-2) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5702. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 165 Worthless Stock Deduction of a Subsidiary" (Rev. Rule 2003-125) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5703. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Arbitrage Restrictions Applicable to Tax-Exempt Bonds Issued by State and Local Governments" (RIN1545-AX22) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5704. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pur-

suant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hedge Identification" (Rev. Rule 2003-127) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5705. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Section 1502; Application of Section 108 to Members of a Consolidated Group" (TD9098) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5706. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interpretation of Section 301.6109-1(d)(3)(ii) of the Procedure and Administration Regulations" (Notice 2004-1) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5707. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Necessary to Facilitate Business Electronic Filing" (TD9100) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5708. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 846 Discount Factors for 2003" (Rev. Proc. 2004-9) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5709. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 832 Discount Factors for 2003" (Rev. Proc. 2004-10) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5710. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Qualified Offer Regulations" (RIN1545-AW99) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5711. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Information Statements for Certain Substitute Payments" (RIN1545-BC97) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5712. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Confidential Transactions" (TD9108) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5713. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Information Reporting Relating to Taxable Stock Transactions" (RIN1545-BC80) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5714. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishing Defenses to the Imposition of the Accuracy-Related Penalty" (RIN1545-AY97) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5715. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Advocacy Activities Conducted by Certain Tax-Exempt Organizations" (Rev. Rule 2004-6) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5716. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Heath Savings Accounts" (Notice 2004-2) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5717. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Request for Comments Concerning the Application of Sections 162 and 263 to Tangible Property" (Notice 2004-6) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5718. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Charitable Contributions of Patents and Other Intellectual Property" (Notice 2004-7) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5719. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - January 2004" (Rev. Rul. 2004-2) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5720. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure of Relative Value of Optional Forms of Benefit" (TD9099) received on December 29, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5721. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income; Collection of Overdue Program and Administrative Debts Using Administrative Wage Garnishment" (RIN9060-AE92) received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5722. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" (RIN9060-AE27) received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5723. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System Payment Reform for Calendar Year 2004" (RIN9038-AM96) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5724. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Notice of One Time Appeal Process for Hospital Wage Calendar Classification" (RIN9038-AN00) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5725. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Notice of One Time Appeal Process for Hospital Wage Calendar Classification" (RIN9038-AN00) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5726. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Pro-

grams; Time Limitation on Recordkeeping Requirements Under the Drug Rebate Program" (RIN0938-AM20) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5727. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Changes to the Medicare Payment for Drugs and Physician Fee Schedule Payments for Calendar Year 2004" (RIN0938-AM97) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5728. A communication from the Director, Financial Management, General Accounting Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Fiscal Year 2003 Annual Report of the Comptrollers' General Retirement System; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5729. A communication from the Chief Operating Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and designation of acting officer for the position of Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5730. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the two reports of the Office of Inspector General, for period ending September 30, 2003, relative to the Internal Revenue Service and the rest the Treasury organization; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5731. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Fiscal Year 2003 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5732. A communication from the Chief Operating Officer, Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's annual inventory of activities; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5733. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5734. A communication from the Administrator, General Services Administration, the report of the Office of Inspector General relative to auditing activity; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5735. A communication from the Acting Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "5 CFR Part 1800: 1800.1—Filing Complaints of Prohibited Personnel Practices or Other Prohibited Activity; 1800.3—Filing Disclosures of Information; 1800.3—Advisory Opinions" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5736. A communication from the Chairman, International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5737. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003 relative to the Department of the Interior; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5738. A communication from the Chairman and General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector

General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5739. A communication from the Director, Panama Canal Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act of 1982; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5740. A communication from the Administrator, Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5741. A communication from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting a report entitled "The Federal Workforce for the 21st Century: Results of the Merit Principles Survey 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5742. A communication from the Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual report of the Office of Inspector General; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5743. A communication from the Independent Counsel, Office of Independent Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5744. A communication from the Director, Trade and Development Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Agency's audit and internal management activities; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5745. A communication from the Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Report; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5746. A communication from the Executive Secretary and Chief of Staff, Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Agency for International Development, Bureau for Asia and the Near East, received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5747. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5748. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's Annual Report to Congress on Veterans' Employment in the Federal Government for Fiscal Year 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5749. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5750. A communication from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5751. A communication from the Office of Personnel Management, The President's Pay Agent, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to justifying the reasons for the extension of locality-based comparability payments to categories of positions that are in more than one executive agency; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5752. A communication from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's report for the period from April 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5753. A communication from the Architect of the Capitol, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of all expenditures during the period October 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5754. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5755. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the San Francisco, CA, Non-appropriated Fund Wage Area" (RIN3206-AK26) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5756. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Audit of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5757. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rural Health Clinics; Amendments to Participation Requirements and Payment Provisions, and Establishment of a Quality Assessment and Improvement Program" (RIN0938-AJ17) received on January 5, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5758. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Scientific Peer Review of Research Grant Applications and Research and Development Contract Projects" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5759. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institutes of Health Center Grants" (RIN0925-AA24) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5760. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Smallpox Vaccine Injury Compensation Program: Administrative Implementation" (RIN0906-AA60) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5761. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tax Refund Offset" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5762. A communication from the Human Resources Specialist, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Deputy Secretary of Labor, received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5763. A communication from the Deputy White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a designation of acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, Department of Education, received on January

5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5764. A communication from the Deputy White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, Department of Education, received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5765. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the first report on Theft, Loss, or Release of Select Agents and Toxins; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5766. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Formaldehyde" (Doc. No. 1998F-0522) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5767. A communication from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5768. A communication from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules for Filings, Issuances, Computation of Time, and Electronic Means of Record Retention" received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5769. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Information Regulations; Correction" (Doc. No. 1999N-2637) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5770. A communication from the Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Employment Standards Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations Implementing the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969" (RIN1215-AB40) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5771. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a designation of an acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5772. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a designation of acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary, Disability Employment Policy, received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5773. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary, Disability Employment Policy,

received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5774. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor, received on December 30, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5775. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity for Fiscal Year 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5776. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the President's Commission on Excellence in Special Education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5777. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, two reports entitled "The National Healthcare Quality Report" and "The National Healthcare Disabilities Report"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5778. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a designation of acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary for Public Health and Science, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5779. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary for Public Health and Science, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5780. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary for Budget, Technology, and Finance, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5781. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination rejected, withdrawn, or returned for the position of Assistant Secretary for Budget, Technology, and Finance, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5782. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Assistant Secretary for Public Health and Science, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5783. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5784. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and

Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5785. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a designation of acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5786. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services, received on December 18, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5787. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Indian Tribal Judgment Funds to be distributed to the Mescalero Apache Tribe; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5788. A communication from the Chairman, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, a draft bill relative to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5789. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Office of General Counsel, Federal Bureau of Prisons, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Occupational Education Programs Final Rule" (68 FR 65169) received on January 5, 2004; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5790. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, a draft bill entitled the "Judicial Reporting Improvement Act"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5791. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sale by Federal Departments or Agencies of Chemicals Which Could Be Used in the Illicit Manufacture of Controlled Substances" (RIN1117-AA47) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5792. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2002 Annual Report of the National Institute of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5793. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, Office of Size Standards, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards; Facilities Support Services (Including Base Maintenance)" (RIN3245-AF03) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-5794. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Government Contracting and Business Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Government Contracting Programs" (RIN3245-AF07) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-5795. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure of Information

Regulations" (RIN3245-AE94) received on December 8, 2003; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-5796. A communication from the Director, Regulations Management, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans' Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reasonable Charges for Medical Care or Services 2003 Methodology Changes" (RIN2900-AL06) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5797. A communication from the Director, Regulations Management, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans' Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Charges Used for Recovery from Tortiously Liable Third Parties for Medical Care or Services Provided by the Department of Veterans' Affairs" (RIN2900-AL48) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5798. A communication from the Director, Regulations Management, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans' Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Board of Veterans' Appeals: Rules of Practice; Use of Supplemental Statement of the Case" (RIN2900-AL42) received on December 15, 2003; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5799. A communication from the Chair, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Travel on Behalf of Candidates and Political Committees" received on December 10, 2003; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-5800. A communication from the Chair, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Travel on Behalf of Candidates and Political Committees" received on December 10, 2003; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-5801. A communication from the Chair, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files" (Notice 2003-25) received on December 10, 2003; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-5802. A communication from the Chair, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files" (Notice 2003-25) received on December 10, 2003; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-5803. A communication from the Public Printer, Government Printing Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Government Printing Office for Fiscal Year 2003; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of December 9, 2003, the following reports of committees were submitted on January 9, 2004:

By Mr. GREGG, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

S. 2005. An original bill to temporarily replace the use by pension plans of the 30-year treasury bond rate with a composite corporate rate, and to establish a commission on defined benefit plans (Rept. No. 108-221).

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1072. A bill to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-222).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mrs. CLINTON, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. REED, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 2006. A bill to extend and expand the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2003, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 2007. A bill to provide better protection against bovine spongiform encephalopathy and other prion diseases; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 2008. A bill to amend the Animal Health Protection Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish an electronic nationwide livestock identification system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SMITH:

S. 2009. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to require the Secretary of the Interior to give greater weight to scientific or commercial data that is empirical or has been field-tested or peer-reviewed, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. CARPER, Mr. FRIST, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BYRD, Mr. CAMPBELL, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HOLINGS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MILLER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SANTORUM,